

SRI DHARAM SINGH NARAYAN SINGH (Minister for Housing and Urban Development)—

(a) Yes.

(b) In the absence of any prescribed norms to determine development grants to municipalities, grants were sanctioned on "ad-hoc" basis during 1979-80 and 1978-79 for the following purposes.—

(i) Grants for water supply in scarcity areas and development works.

(ii) Grants for on-going piped water supply schemes

(iii) Grants for payment of 10% contribution by the municipalities towards their water supply schemes

During 1980-81 the following procedure has been followed :—

The proportionate amount of gross entitlements for each municipality has been worked up taking into account the grants allotted for the years 1978-79, 1979-80 and 1980-81 and on the basis of 1971 population figures. From these gross entitlements, deductions have been made towards releases already made in 1978-79 and 1979-80 and the net entitlements has been worked out. Some scaling down has been done to accommodate the releases within the budget provision.

The amount thus determined has been allotted for the following purposes.—

(a) Grants for water supply and development works.

(b) Grants for payment of 10% contribution towards water supply schemes.

(c) Grants have also been released to some of the local bodies taking need factor into account.

Roads in Mudigere Taluk

262 SMT MOTAMMA (Mudigere).—Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state.—

(a) the extent of road works taken up in Mudigere taluk under the I.C.R.C. Scheme ;

(b) out of them, the number of roads completed and the number of roads yet to be completed ;

(c) the number of MNP roads taken up in the Block, the number of road works completed out of them—when the remaining road works be completed ;

(d) the number of MNP roads taken up this year ; (Details may please be furnished) ?

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA (Minister for Public Works)—

(a) Road works to the extent of 93.60 Kms. are taken up under the I.C.R.C. scheme in Mudigere Taluk.

(b) 5 road works are completed out of total 15 roads.

(c) 6 MNP road works are taken up in this Block, out of them 5 road works are completed. The remaining one road work is under progress. This work will be completed during the year 1982-83.

(d) No new M.N.P. road construction work is taken up this year in Mudigere Taluk.

Swindling of Public Funds in Bangalore South Taluk Board.

280 SRI B.V. RAMACHANDRA REDDY (Vartur)—Will the Minister for Rural Development and Panchayatraj be pleased to state.—

(a) whether several works were taken up without sanction of the Bangalore South taluk Board and the President of the Board has swindled the funds during 1978-79 and 1979-80 ;

(b) if so, the number of works taken up without the sanction of the Board, the competent authority and the amount involved in each such work ;

(c) what action the Government propose to take against the mismanagement of public funds ?

SRI B. RAMAIAH (Minister for Rural Development and Panchayat Raj).—

(a) Several works were taken up for execution during 1978-79 and 79-80 by the Chief Executive Officer, TDB Bangalore South pending sanction of the Board.

(b) The list is Laid on the table.

(c) Appropriate action will be taken on receipt of the findings of the investigation report from the Assistant Commissioner, Bangalore Sub-Division, fixing up responsibility upon the concerned.